Please prepare reply for DCI's signature.

Executive Secretary

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November 3, 1982

The Honorable William J. Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

The Select Committee on Intelligence has noted with some concern the succession of press stories since October 24 on the Geoffrey Prime case. These New York Times and Washington Post stories, generally attributed to U.S. intelligence sources, contain statements that go far beyond any material provided to this Committee in briefings by the Intelligence Community.

The Select Committee would like to invite you and General Faurer to testify on this case at a closed hearing on Wednesday, December 8, 1982, at 10:00 in room S-407 of the Capitol. would appreciate your addressing three levels of concern: what we know about the Prime case itself, including overall damage and any possibilities that Prime is merely "the tip of the iceberg;" implications that this case may have for the close intelligence relationship that the United States has had with British intelligence services over the past 40 years; and the origins and impact of the recent press stories, including why the Select Committee was not consulted or given any warning of their impending publication.

We look forward to hearing from you on this disturbing case.

Since ely,

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